COMMISSION ON LEGAL COUNSEL FOR INDIGENTS STANDARD ON "CONFLICT OF INTEREST"

"Conflicts of interest" for a contract attorney or public defender are those situations identified in Rules 1.7, 1.8, 1.9, 1.10, 1.11 and 1.12 of the North Dakota Rules of Professional Conduct, where a lawyer would not ethically represent a client. A "conflict of interest" does not exist under the limited exceptions as explained in those rules.